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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312  
AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

This Amendment filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 is filed in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 16, 2005. The undersigned respectfully requests amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.